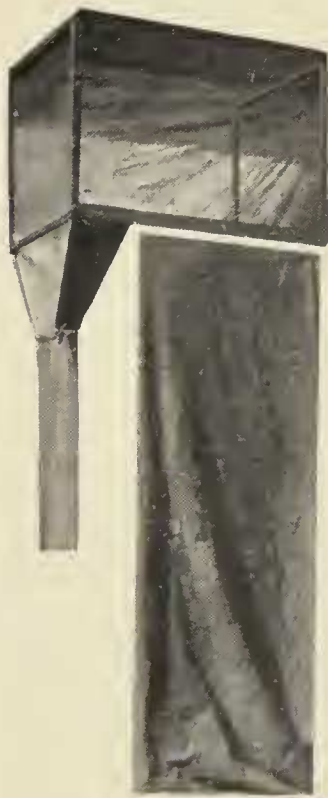


We need much help and co-operation for the coming season. You all can aid by reporting the location of any colony nesting sites that apparently will be used this coming season, so we may have a complete list of nesting sites that apparently will be used this coming season, so we may have a complete list of nesting sites for gulls, terns, cormorants, herons, etc. Then let us know as soon as possible if we can count on you to help, so you may be assigned a district to work. By careful co-operation there need be no duplication of effort, and parties need not go to the same place, unnecessarily disturbing the birds.

The Chimney Swifts, Bank Swallows and Purple Martins are local problems which you must work out for yourselves.

We are requesting a special effort to band birds that go to South America, such as Blue-winged Teal, all shore birds and swallows; also Black Terns, Bobolinks, Nighthawks and thrushes. This will help us to get results in a shorter time.

For Chimney Swifts, the trap designed by Herbert L. Stoddard solved the problem. He studied their habits of leaving the chimney, and observed that they did not rise skyward but just came up to the top of the chimney and volplaned sideways; and that any apparent obstruction stopped the exodus. So by using a glass end in the trap, with a chute below like the creeper trap, and a stove pipe extension it apparently allowed them to flow in a continuous stream into bags and boxes (have plenty), as at the bottom of a grain chute; and it suggests our hope that by using clear celluloid, like in auto curtains, for end and chute, one may get a wonderful moving picture of the continuous stream of birds.—W. I. L.



**CHIMNEY SWIFT TRAP.**—The illustration shows a suggested tray for Chimney Swifts. It is a combination of the chute in the Inland Creeper trap and H. L. Stoddard's trap. It shows the transparent end and transparent face of the funnel. It also shows a transparent pipe below the funnel and is shown in this way in hopes that some one with a moving picture camera will photograph a stream of birds going down the funnel and pipe into a bag or receiving box, and show the film at our next annual meeting. A metal stove pipe will be much more durable in actual service, then you can add any number of lengths to reach the roof.

The transparent celluloid used comes in sheets 20x50 inches and may be purchased from any auto curtain repair shop.. The bottom of the trap should have an opening as large as the flue of the chimney so as to not impede the flight of the swifts. The improvised chimney in the illustration lost its side in outlining the cut, but shows the correct position. The trap has been tried out with many species of birds and they all fly against the transparent end and continue to flutter until they slide down the end and through the funnel. The scheme may be used in other ways and it is hoped you will make an experimental trap.—W. I. L.